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Boston Newspaper Editor to be Guest Speaker at Next Shrine Luncheon

Young Editor to Speak on Interesting Subject of News Reporting

MR. Ray Kierman, Editor, Author and Radio Commentator, will be the guest speaker at the next Shrine Luncheon to be held at the Boston City Club on Tuesday, October 25, 1938.

Mr. Kierman, one of the youngest of New England's outstanding newspapermen, had his start in news work as an



MR. RAY KIERMAN

office boy and literally worked his way to the top.

As news editor of the *Boston Traveler*, at the age of 40, he is at the helm of one of the most important daily newspapers in the country.

For many years he worked for the *Boston Traveler* and *Boston Herald*, as a reporter, covering routine stories and assignments, and court reporting.

Seven years ago Mr. Kierman, who began his newspaper career at twelve years of age, was made assistant city editor of the *Traveler*. Four years later he was city editor, and a year ago became news editor.

Mr. Kierman's talk at the coming Shrine luncheon promises to be intensely interesting in view of his colorful career which brought him many hair-raising adventures while reporting the news.

Don't forget the date—Tuesday, October 25, 1938—Boston City Club—12:30 P. M.

THE SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

THE first of the current series of Shrine Luncheons was held on Tuesday, September 27, 1938, at the Boston City Club. The feature of the luncheon was an interesting talk by Mr. William E. Clark, New England District Supervisor of the United States Narcotic Bureau. Mr. Clark, who received special authority from the United States Commissioner of Narcotics at Washington to speak on this occasion, took for his subject, "Narcotic Laws and their Enforcement."

It was announced in last month's issue of the *News* that Mr. Clark was an interesting speaker and had a most interesting subject. The comment of those Nobles who attended the luncheon have more than justified the statements. As the time allotted to the speaker was only half an hour, many of the Nobles expressed their hope that we may again at some future time have the pleasure of hearing Mr. Clark, as the time was much too short for him to give an account of the many interesting experiences he has had in assisting to wipe out narcotics in New England.

In addition to the many door prizes donated by members for distribution at the luncheon, Mr. William Hamilton of the Potter Drug and Chemical Corporation gave everyone present a large tube of Cuticura shaving cream.

To those who have not attended the luncheons we wish to say that they are missing something worthwhile. We suggest they come to the next one to be held on October 25 and hear another interesting speaker, as well as have a good luncheon and fraternize with the Nobility.

FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT!

THERE are 159 Shrine Temples, of this number, one is located in Honolulu, one in the Canal Zone, one in Mexico, nine in Canada, and the other 147 are divided among the various states of the Union. Delaware is the only state in which a temple is not located.

On January 1, 1938, the membership of the order was 339,636.

The exclusive type of head covering to be worn by all Nobles of the Mystic Shrine when appearing as such is the Red Turkish Fez with black tassel, bearing only the name of the temple of which the Noble is an active member, with a facsimile of a scimitar, and that portion of the jewel of the order, consisting of the crescent, sphinx head, and star combined, embroidered thereon with gold and silver bullion or silk. The fez is to be worn in its proper shape and without creasing or alteration; provided, that it is permissible for Potentates, Past Potentates and Records of temples as well as official uniformed organizations to have their titles embroidered in small letters on the front of the fez near the bottom.

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POTENTATE ZINK DIRECTOR-
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COUNCIL SESSION

The Nobility of Baltimore are already making their plans for the next Imperial Council Session. Potentate John H. Zink has been named Director-General. The ambition of the Boumi Nobility is to make this session the largest in recent years, and they are making their plans accordingly.

ASST. IMPERIAL RECORDER RETURNS TO WORK

The Imperial Recorder is pleased to report that his Assistant, Noble E. W. Jacobs, has recovered from an illness which has kept him from the office for several weeks. On his return from Los Angeles, his personal physician placed him under treatment and suggested a rest. While he is not entirely recovered, he has shown great improvement and is back on the job again.

KHEDIVE TEMPLE LAYS CORNER STONE FOR NEW TEMPLE

Khedive Temple, located at Norfolk, Virginia, is laying the corner stone of a new Temple building during the month of October. The Illustrious Potentate of this Temple, Noble Aubrey G. Graham, is arranging a very pretentious program, and all nearby Temples will be invited to this interesting function.

IMPERIAL POTENTATE VISITING SUBORDINATE TEMPLES

The Imperial Potentate, Illustrious Noble Andrew A. D. Rahn, has started his year's work with a splendid program. The reports received from the Imperial Recorder's office indicate that he is having a wonderful reception. His messages are brief but comprehensive, and they are received with great enthusiasm by the Nobility. He is devoting a great deal of thought to the financial problems of the Subordinate Temples, and is deeply interested in re-building our membership.

IMPERIAL RECORDER JAMES H. PRICE TO RECEIVE SERVICE MEDAL

GOVERNOR James H. Price of Virginia, Imperial Recorder of the Imperial Council of the Shrine will receive a "Distinguished Service Medal," Friday, September 30, at the regimental review of the First Virginia Infantry, National Guard. The presentation will be made at Camp Price, Virginia Beach.

The Medal which is given to each Governor of the state of Virginia while he is in office, was authorized for Governor Price by the State Board of Military Affairs, following recommendation by the State Medal Board.

Governor Price joined the First Virginia Infantry on May 14, 1907 and attained the rank of Captain and Adjutant of the Company.

Present at the ceremonies will be Major General James K. Parsons, commander of the Third Corps area; Brigadier General Albert L. Cox, commander of the District of Columbia National Guards; Brigadier General Samuel G. Waller, commander of the Ninety-first Brigade and Adjutant General for Virginia; members of Virginia's delegation to Congress and other distinguished guests.



ANOTHER VIEW ON THE MATTER

THE following article was clipped from the monthly news letter sent to Recorders of Shrine Temples of North America:

The Shrine Recorders' Magazine for July was received a few days ago. On page 5 in a box at the bottom of the page appears the following:

"The greatest value a Noble receives through his membership in the Shrine is the privilege of being a contributor to the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children and having a part in the greatest humanitarian project in all the world."

It seems to me that this is a highly debatable subject and personally I do not agree with it.

I joined the Shrine in El Paso, Texas, 22 years ago, which was a number of years before our Hospitals were instituted. I am fully in accord with our Hospitals and believe that it is the greatest humanitarian project of all the world.

However, I do believe that the greatest value a Noble receives through his

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membership in the Shrine is the privilege of being a Shriner. I can not help but feel that we are placing too much stress on our Hospitals and in many instances losing sight of the original purpose of the Shrine. If the Hospitals are the greatest privilege of a Shriner we should reverse the proportion, give \$10.00 to the Hospital and \$2.00 to the Shrine. If this was done the Shrine would pass out of existence in about 2 years and along with it the Hospitals.

It is my opinion that if the Shrine Temples would endeavor to have more entertainment, better Ceremonials, based more on the fellowship that prevailed 20 years ago, the Shrine would attract more members. If we are successful in building the membership in the Shrine, the Hospitals cease to be a problem and assume their rightful place in our set-up, which is the humanitarian work of a great group of fun-loving, red-blooded men who like to have a good time but are not unmindful of the joy of giving and bringing some happiness to the crippled child. So let's not let "the tail wag the dog."

JULIUS S. DANIELS,

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6:45 P.M.—Business Meeting

7:30 P.M.—Patrol Drill and Review

8:00 P.M.—Second Section Floor Work

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NOTES OF NOBLES

ALEPPO was well represented on the recent Annual Fall Field Day of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. The Company journeyed to Cuba aboard the S. S. Amsterdam, headed by the Captain of the Company, James J. Curry, who is Chief Rabban of Aleppo.

Other officers of the Temple making the trip were Potentate Charles T. Cahill, Oriental Guide Arthur A. Sondheim, Treasurer Frank W. Morrill, Past Potentate Fred E. Bolton, First Ceremonial Master Lionel G. H. Palmer, Inner Guard Wallace D. Riddell and Steward George A. Shackford.

Noble Doctor Herbert L. Mains of Danvers recently sent us a hurry up line from California saying that he was making a trip through the West and wanted a duplicate Shrine card, having mislaid or lost his. He hoped to visit many Western Shrine Temples.

Word has been received from Worcester that Noble Leonard K. Gray is convalescing at his home, 224 Mower Street in that city, after a serious operation which confined him to the Worcester City Hospital for five weeks.

Noble Gray who is one of our new members, having joined May 13 of this year, is Assistant Manager of one of Worcester's largest industrial plants.

Don't forget the Aleppo Barn Dance, Friday, October 21 at Mechanics Building. Bring along the lady and be sure to leave your dress suit at home. A hick costume is in order.


Another event to remember is the Fall Ceremonial Friday, November 4.

Your 1938 membership card is necessary for admission to both of these events. If you do not have yours the Recorder will be happy to help you procure it. Get in touch with him now.

The Columbian National Life Insurance Company with home offices at 77 Franklin Street, Boston, announces the appointment of Noble Norman K. Wiggin as manager of their Estate Conservation Department.

Noble Wiggin, who joined Aleppo in 1921, is an officer in the Scottish Rite Bodies of Boston and has taken an active part for many years in the ritualistic work of the Rite.

Noble Job E. Gaskin, who has been treasurer of Lafayette Lodge of Roxbury, was presented a very beautifully illuminated testimonial by the lodge, Monday, September 26, upon his retirement from the office of treasurer after serving in that office for twenty-seven years. Noble Gaskin, who is a life member of Aleppo, has been a Mason for thirty-eight years and has held several offices in his lodge. In 1915 he was elected proxy to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts by his lodge and has held that office ever since.



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ALEPPO BOWLING NEWS

By NOBLE VAIL K. HAAK
Associate Editor

AT a meeting of the officers and captains of the Shrine Bowling League held at the Boston City Club on Wednesday, September 28, it was agreed to start the regularly scheduled matches on Thursday, October 20. Some changes were made in the personnel of each team so that the strength of each team would be just about even.

Thursday evening, October 6, a jam-boree or get-together was held at the City Club Alleys so that some of the new members could become acquainted before the start of the regular season. Novel bowling such as odds and even — cocked hat — blind bowling and 30-ball was enjoyed by the large group present.

The officers are looking for the most successful season so far, with new members joining our group and the enthusiasm shown this early in the season.

Aleppo Temple will again be represented in the strong Amateur Boston Pin League this year. All home games will be bowled at the City Club the same as last year and there is every reason to expect that a year's experience will tend to make our outfit one of the strongest in this loop.

The officers of The Aleppo League cordially invite any of the members of the Nobility who are not bowlers to drop in on the gang any Thursday night and probably after watching the fun will be tempted to try their hand at it.



TIN FOIL INFORMATION

WE are informed that a report has been circulated that Aleppo Temple doesn't wish to receive any more tin foil for the Springfield Crippled Children's Hospital.

This is decidedly not true because we not only want the tin foil but will also see that either the tin foil or the proceeds from the sale of the same go to the Springfield Hospital, so please bring it into our office, 97 Huntington Avenue.

It is a fact that at times the market price of tin foil has been so low that it

would not pay for the carting and remelting of the metal but when that situation prevails it is our intention to store the foil until there is a better market price.

"Every little bit added to what you've got makes a little bit more," or as the Scotch would say "Many a mickle makes a muckle."

A suggestion has before been made that some store in each of the outlying suburbs be a central receiving point for collections of tin foil.

If any of our Nobles care to give us the name and address of their store in the suburbs or outlying districts of our jurisdiction, we shall be glad to publish this information for Nobles in that section.



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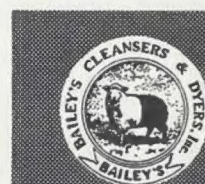
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By NOBLE CHARLES C. FEARING

Associate Editor

"BLOW WINDS OF THE WESTERN SEA"

THE chap who wrote that song evidently never went through the harrowing experience that we did here in New England recently. If he had he would never have sung "blow ye winds" either of the western sea or any other sea. However, we are lucky to be alive. Some have attributed that high wind as the aftermath of the Primaries, and it may be possible that the accumulation of political "hot air" poured out in such quantities over the radio may have started the cyclone. Be that as it may, it was certainly some "big wind."

Noble Charlie Magee, who manipulates the cymbals in the band, had a job out at the country club in Weston on that night of the storm. He drove his car out there, and did he have some hairbreadth escapes! Going out Commonwealth Avenue just as Charlie passed a big tree the tree crashed and went through the roof of a car right behind him, sending the occupants to the hospital. He could not get nearer than a mile to the club so had to walk the rest of the way. The air pilots have a slogan "The mail must go through." Evidently Charlie believed "the male must go through," as he kept the date despite the storm. But he feels he has had thrills enough to last him the rest of his life.

At the rehearsal on September 26th the President of the Gloucester Shrine Club was present, and outlined the program that is being planned during the races between those two sturdy fishing boats, the Gertrude L. Thebaud and the Bluenose, which will take place early in October. One day is to be set aside for special exercises, when they will dedicate the new Gloucester fish pier. Both boats will be on hand and they plan to hoist the Shrine pennant on the Thebaud, as a lot of the crew are Masons. That ought to be a good omen for the Gloucester boat. But the President felt that the day would not be a perfect success unless the band turned out to lend the proper background to the festivities. He promised that if the band would turn out the boys would be well cared for and would not go home hungry. Judging by a previous visit we made to Gloucester we know that this will be absolutely true, so the boys can bring their appetites with them. (Perhaps this is an unnecessary suggestion, because we never knew them when they were not hungry.)

The exercises will be broadcast over a network of one hundred stations in the United States and Canada. It has been a long time since the band went "on the air" so, boys, don't give our leader "Wallie" the air, but turn out in full force and be a credit to our dear "old Alma Mater." This will be a good chance to blow yourselves and at the same time

enjoy the open-hearted hospitality of the good people of Gloucester.

We received the following communication recently, and believe it worth consideration:

"Dear Editor:

Is that Fred Waugh in the band the Noble who is often taken for Clark Gable?

Fraternally yours,

ELMER F. BUTLER, 409"

Oh boy! Is that a hot one. And yet, come to think of it, Noble Waugh does remind us of Clark Gable—he is so different.

We were pleased to see our old friend "Bill" Gens at a recent rehearsal, with the big horn wound around his shoulders. It is always a welcome sight (and sound), when Noble Gens can attend a band rehearsal.

Noble John Gray is all steamed up over the European situation, and says if they will give him a gun he will waive all age limitations and go over to fight Hitler, et al. Atta boy, John!

C. C. F.



HOSPITAL REPORT

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By NOBLE J. ARTHUR McCoy,
Associate Editor

THE early Masonic notices that have come to my attention indicate this year as usual that a goodly number of the officers are members of the patrol. Noble Robert M. Bochner, of the second platoon is the new Eminent Commander of De Molay Commandery and Nobles Lorin E. Lewis and Herbert Lundy, of the second are Generalissimo and Junior Warden, respectively. Noble Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr., our Assistant Rabban and for twelve years a member of the second platoon, is the new Eminent Commander of Boston Commandery. In St. Omer Commandery's line there are three officers who are members of the patrol—Noble Russ Lynn, Generalissimo, Noble Bill Sharpe, Senior Warden, and Noble Andrew McCulloch, Junior Warden.

Although conditions of the past few years have made it impossible for the uniformed units to make the longer trips to Imperial Sessions, I discovered by poring through the records that they have attended practically 50% of the sessions the past thirty years, 1909-1938. The first long trip of the units during that period was to Rochester in 1911 with Potentate Shackford. There were two others during that 10-year period (1909-1918), the next being to Atlanta in 1914, and to Buffalo in 1916, both with Potentate Morrison. The Buffalo trip was the first with our own band; prior to that time it was necessary to hire local bands.

During the second ten years of this period (1919-1928) there were eight long trips: to Indianapolis in 1919, Portland, Ore., in 1920, San Francisco in 1922, Washington, D. C., in 1923, Kansas City in 1924, Los Angeles in 1925, Philadelphia in 1926, and Miami in 1928. All of these latter trips were made during the administration of Walter Morrison except the last, in 1928, which was in Potentate Appleton's administration.

During the past ten years there have been two major trips, to Toronto in 1930 with Potentate Haskell and San Francisco in 1932 with Potentate Faye.

But the district meetings are bringing together a good representation, if those of the New England Council are any criterion, these having been attended by all the temples in the district.

Thumbnail sketch of the month:—Lieut. "Ben" James, of the first platoon, is naturally a good commander because he served as "top sergeant" in the war. Born in South Boston, Ben grew up in Brookline and excelled in sports while at Brookline High, and at Stone's School. He went in for track, rowing and swimming, and I am told that he was one of the best swimmers in New England just before the war and was President of the Brookline Swimming Club for ten years after his return from the war. He still officiates at many meets.

Ben first saw service on the Mexican Border with the First Mass. F. A. in 1916. This outfit became a part of the 101st F. A. in the World War (1917). He was chief of the first section of the battery that fired the first shot of any National Guard troops at the enemy, at Chemin de Dames, Feb. 5, 1918. His D. S. Cross, Croix de Guerre and Purple Heart indicate that he served with distinction. He was the first Commander of his Brookline Legion Post (1919), was President of the Y. D. Veterans' Association and is now Vice President of the Y. D. Club of Boston and Secretary-Treasurer of the 101st F. A. Veterans' Association. Quite a military man.

Noble James became a member of Beth Horon Lodge in 1916 and is a member of St. Paul's Chapter, Boston Council, and is on the escort of De Molay Commandery. He comes from a real Masonic family: his grandfather, Benjamin Dean, was the first Eminent Commander of St. Omer Commandery (1865-66), and was later Grand Commander for Massachusetts and Rhode Island (1869-70), and Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States (1880-83) — only one other New England Knight Templar has ever advanced to the head of Templarism in the United States.

Noble James joined Aleppo Temple in 1920 and promptly enrolled in the patrol. He is a member of the James Lumber Co. at 88 Broad Street, Boston.

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NEW BEDFORD SHRINE CLUB NEWS

By NOBLE CHAS. E. DAVIS, JR.

OUTWITTING the capricious weather man, the Shrine Club of Southeastern Massachusetts fulfilled the annual Field Day program on Sunday, September 18, 1938 and with unusual success. Originally scheduled for the pines of Tinkhamtown in Mattapoisett the frequent, heavy showers of the morning stamped the quietus on the "day in the open." With ingenuity the Club's officials arranged a transfer of activities to Fort Phoenix, Fairhaven, and the crowd was detoured to the adopted scene.

The dinner was of course the highlight of the outing. Comfortably quartered in the pavilion at the pleasant Fairhaven summer resort the Shriners and their friends indulged in the delicacies and quantities of a Clambake. The feast, peculiar to New Bedford and its immediate environs, was, if anything, above par and attested by performance, as well as by word from all present.

A large dancing hall was converted into a sports arena. Noble "Ben" Cohen supervised a card of events which delighted the gathering and provided everyone the chance to participate. There were prizes of value which merited the best efforts of the contestants.

OUTING BRIEFS

Noble Albert Cook did double duty. He blazed the trails to Tinkhamtown in the early morning and then shifted the signs after the decision was made to go to Fort Phoenix.

President "Doc" Birtwistle, Secretary "Charlie" Davis and Elmer Whitmarsh kept the 'phone operators busy announcing the change of location to the gang. No one got lost except Noble Les Main-tain who landed in Fall River — Shrine Club management was absolved for this Corrigan trip.

Compliments were extended "Joe" Dean for his excellent beverage. — "Camel's milk" or "cow" — it was popular with the boys. "Little Joe" was on the job early with his able assistants preparing for the day.

New Bedford Forest of the Tall Cedars contributed the usual cooperation. Alexander Ronald, chief of the Forest, supervised the participation of his men which was wholehearted and a big help to the successful event.

The Edwards boys, Ken and Harold, with Harry Smith handled the canteen with customary efficiency. This dependable trio of Tall Cedars has conducted this feature every year and their smiling service helped make the booth a rendezvous throughout the day.

Noble "Tom" Whitfield gave the Club all the facilities offered by Fort Phoenix, even to swimming. "Tom" is certainly a "regular feller" and the bake he served the crowd was worthy of all the praise expressed.

Everybody had a good time and dined exceedingly well. The Shrine Club proved it was equal to any emergency and another happy outing is recorded in the memory book.

CIRCUS ECHOES

More than 50,000 people attended the Shrine Club Circus in the seven nights. Over 15,000 were clocked at the gates at the concluding performance on August 29th and thousands failed to gain entrance. Chief of Police Samuel D. McLeod ordered the onrush of the crowd stopped shortly after nine o'clock as a measure of public safety. The traffic jam was the greatest in the city's history and every police officer of New Bedford was called into duty.

The workers at the Circus were shown the Club's appreciation with a dinner and floor show at Dan's Pavilion in New Bedford on Wednesday evening, September 7th. Mayor Leo E. J. Carney complimented the Club on the conduct of the enterprise. Shriners, De Molay boys, policemen, bank clerks, Sargent Field directors were among the group who enjoyed the fine dinner served by Noble "Dan" Bauer. The performance which followed was of unusual merit. It was an evening of community interest and the expression of the Club's gratitude was genuinely enjoyed by all.

The loose ends are being gathered together and the final and complete report of the Circus will soon be ready to be submitted to the membership. At a special meeting of the Club on Monday evening October 3rd a preliminary statement was presented which happily showed a financial return of unanticipated proportions. It is pledged to the program of care and welfare of crippled children and the Shrine Club will be faithful to the trust and its obligation.

THE STORM AND FLOOD

The devastating tidal wave and hurricane which swept New England Wednesday, September 21, exacted heavy toll from hundreds of Shriners. A great number of the Shrine Club's membership suffered seriously in the disaster. Noble Daniel Bauer was a most unfortunate victim with the complete ravaging of his fine pavilion at Acushnet Park along with other damage to his properties.

The buildings at Fort Phoenix in Fairhaven which are under the supervision of Noble Thomas Whitfield were sadly affected. It was there that the Shrine Club held its field day on the Sunday previous.

Loss of business, house and shore prop-

erties befell many among whom are Nobles Richard Kuechler, Robert Mitchell, Harry Bloomingdale, Walter Johnson. A further survey will reveal the astonishing extent of damage which so many Nobles of Southeastern Massachusetts endured in common with their fellow citizens.

Mindful of the suffering and need in the stricken area the Shrine Club voted a generous contribution for the Red Cross at a meeting October 3rd. By this act it can be recognized that the Club and its members are fully cognizant of civic responsibilities and ready to aid in distress.

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By NOBLE GEORGE A. RHODES

Associate Editor

JUST learned that Chief Rabban James J. Curry of Aleppo attended the Willard School in West Quincy. A great school and some great fellows got their start in that school. Quincy Nobles will have even more interest in this man who will undoubtedly head the Shrine and is President of the New England Shrine council.

Noble A. Kenneth Martin of South Shore Commandery, and Noble W. Roy Dawes of Quincy Commandery are now Past Commanders. "Bill" Morganstern of South Shore is headed for Aleppo, and Carl D. Horton has already tramped over the burning sands. South Shore had its installation dinner by candle light, but the lights came on when Noble Martin began his farewell speech. Very nice timing.

At Brotherhood Lodge installation the other week we bumped into many Shriners. Leon Rubin of Quincy went in as master. They have a flock of young men. Many of them should reach the Shrine soon.

Have not checked up on new masters in this section but know that many wear Aleppo's emblem.

Announcing dates of Aleppo meetings well ahead was appreciated in this section. It gave masters of lodges and clubs an opportunity to arrange their schedules. Aleppo night is a bad time for any type of event in Quincy or South Shore towns. It is one night the Nobles have no difficulty in getting out. Several groups of Nobles' wives have their own parties that night and they look for announcement of Aleppo affairs as much as the mere man of the house.

Quincy escaped the big blow with only damage to trees and a few houses. Quincy, O. E. S., was having a Matrons' and Patrons' Night the 21st. Ate by candle light and at the suggestion of police and street railway men they went home immediately. Mrs. Margaret C. Ross, wife of Noble Charles A. Ross, opened and shut the business meeting in record time.

Practically all the Lodges and Chapters elected officers in September and are now ready to crash into a busy fall. Already many dates have been checked in for the three temples for social affairs. There was a membership gain in several lodges. The fall looks good for brisk business.

The Shingle Club, all Nobles, is in tough shape. They were to have stuffed themselves in their usual style at Henry Hayward's camp and the lights went out the day before and no chance to get them hooked up for several weeks. If you knew this crew you could understand the seriousness of the situation. Eat, why that bunch has even Caterer Seiler worried. When they come marching up to the feed trough he sends a rush order to the kitchen for more of all kinds of food, especially ice cream.